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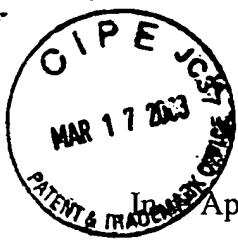
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 12, 2003, Applicant submits the following remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

Remarks

The Examiner has required restriction between Group I, claims 1-26, drawn to composite materials, and Group II, claims 27-28, directed to a composite paper. Applicants select the invention of Group I, claims 1-26, with traverse.

Recognizing that this application is a national phase entry under 35 USC § 371 of a PCT application, the Examiner apparently seeks to negate any “technical relationship” between Group I and Group II by asserting that there is no common or corresponding special technical feature. The Examiner attempts to justify this conclusion by offering his opinion that the claims of Group I are not patentable over the art cited in the restriction requirement.

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